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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Deposit Account No. 19-2380 in the amount of \$180 to comply with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c).

To assist the Examiner, the documents to be considered are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. The listed document by Kazuhiro Shimizu et al. was cited in a PTO Form 1449 filed in this application on October 16, 2003, and Applicants graciously acknowledge the supplemental paper mailed by the Examiner on August 23, 2006, enclosing a completed initialed copy of this PTO 1449. However, during a review of this form, Applicant noted that the publication year was not included in the previous citation of the Shimizu et al. article. The Examiner is again requested to consider this document, and so indicate by initialing the attached PTO Form 1449.

It is requested that the accompanying PTO-1449 be considered and made of record in the above-identified application, and that an Examiner-initialed a copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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